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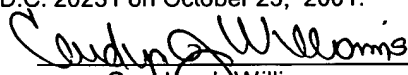
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Dear Sir:


Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the art listed on the attached PTO-1449 form be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified application. A copy of the art is enclosed for the convenience of the Examiner. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97(g) and (h), no representation is made that a search has been made or that this art is material to patentability of the present application.

While Applicants believe no fees are due, if any fees are due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-0456 of Gray Cary Ware & Freidenrich LLP.

Applicants respectfully submit that the claims of Applicant's above-referenced patent application are patentably distinguishable from these references.

Respectfully submitted,

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